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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Conner et al.**

Application No.: 09/752,099

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For: A Method of Real Time Statistical  
Collection for I/O Controllers

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments prior to consideration of the above captioned application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 10.